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TO AMEMBASSY PANAMA IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652:N/A

TAGS: EAIR, PN

SUBJECT:CIVAIR: NOTICE OF DISSATISFACTION WITH AIR PANAMA  
GROUP EXCURSION FARES

1. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO DELIVER TO MINISTRY OF  
FOREIGN AFFAIRS DIPLOMATIC NOTE EXPRESSING DISSATISFACTION  
WITH JULY 2 FARE FILING BY AIR PANAMA. UNDER PROVISIONS  
OF BILATERAL AGREEMENT DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING THIS  
NOTICE IS JULY 16. THEREFORE, EMBASSY SHOULD DELIVER ITS  
NOTE BY COB OF THAT DAY. TEXT ALONG LINES PARA 2 IS  
SUGGESTED:

2. BEGIN TEXT: ...AND HAS THE HONOR TO REFER TO  
PARAGRAPH 4, SECTION IX OF THE ANNEX TO THE UNITED  
STATES-PANAMA AIR TRANSPORT SERVICES AGREEMENT OF  
MARCH 31, 1949, AS AMENDED. THE EMBASSY OF THE  
UNITED STATES WISHES TO INFORM THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN  
AFFAIRS THAT ON JULY 2, 1976 AIR PANAMA FILED WITH THE  
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APPROPRIATE UNITED STATES AERONAUTICAL AUTHORITIES CERTAIN

GROUP EXCURSION TARIFF REVISIONS FOR EFFECTIVENESS ON AUGUST 1, 1976. THE GROUP EXCURSION FARES ARE SUBJECT TO A MINIMAL GROUP SIZE REQUIREMENT: FOUR PERSONS, SOUTH-BOUND; AND SIX PERSONS, NORTHBOUND. IN ITS FILING, THE PANAMANIAN AIRLINE PROPOSES THAT PASSENGERS USING THESE

GROUP FARES BE ALLOWED INDIVIDUAL RETURN TRAVEL.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ABOVE PROVISION, THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO INFORM THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS THAT THE UNITED STATES AERONAUTICAL AUTHORITIES ARE DISSATISFIED WITH THIS FARE FILING, SINCE THE INDIVIDUAL RETURN PROPOSAL CONTAINED THEREIN WOULD DESTROY ANY MEANINGFUL DISTINCTION BETWEEN A GROUP FARE AND AN INDIVIDUALLY TICKETED FARE.

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